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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re U.S. national phase of PCT/IB2003/006163))) Group Art Unit: 3748)) Examiner: Diem T. Tran)) Confirmation No. 5363))
Inventor: Kiyohito MURATA	
Application No.: 10/540,529	
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For: EXHAUST SYSTEM	

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In reply to the Office Action mailed March 8, 2006, the period for response having been extended two months through August 8, 2006, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time and fee payment, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.